



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON
City of Malaybalay



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 3RD REGULAR SESSION
OF THE 26TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, PROVINCE OF
BUKIDNON, HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019 AT THE
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL,
MALAYBALAY CITY, BUKIDNON.**

PRESENT: Provincial Vice Governor **ROGELIO N. QUIÑO**, Chairman & Presiding Officer
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Board Member **RICHARD D. MACAS** (rep. IPs)

ABSENT: Board Member **ALEX P. CALINGASAN** - on Sick Leave
Board Member **MINERVA C. CASINABE** - on Official Business
Board Member **OLIVER OWEN L. GARCIA** (rep. PCL) - on Official Business

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-054(26TH SP)
(3rd Regular Session)

**RESOLUTION SEEKING THE INTERCESSION OF SENATOR
JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI, URGENTLY REQUESTING AND
RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO
HELP CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS IN
SOME PARTS IN THE PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON—**

Introduced by: **Nemesio B. Beltran, Jr.**
Board Member-2nd Legislative District
This Province

WHEREAS, this August Body way back in 2011, had requested the World Health Organization to intervene in containing the spread of schistosomiasis in the Province of Bukidnon. The WHO for a while responded, and even asked for a foundation to be nominated as the conduit of whatever assistance the WHO would extend. Kasilak Development Foundation Inc. was then nominated as the would-be NGO partner of WHO, the Provincial Health Office and the Center of Health Development, DOH Region X;

Unfortunately, however, nothing has been heard of from the WHO after the nomination of KASILAK Foundation was made. Thus, in 2016, a resolution was forwarded again to the WHO requesting again to assist in containing and eradicating schistosomiasis in Bukidnon, particularly in Barangay Bangcud of Malaybalay City, Barangay Kulasihan in Lantapan and Barangay Butong in Quezon;

WHEREAS, very recently the Kasilak Development Foundation prepared and developed a concept paper "On Promoting Community Participation in Schistosomiasis Project Thru Private-Public Partnership in Northern Mindanao" for the World Health Organization-Philippines Country Program, copy attached hereto, in which three barangays in the Province of Bukidnon have been identified as possessing "high risk and probability of continuous transmission not only to the local residence but also to transiting individuals;

WHEREAS, the three barangays are; Barangay Bangcud in Malaybalay City because of its popular Matin-ao Spring with latest prevalence rate of 6.67%, snail density of 0.40 and snail infection rate of 0.49%, Barangay Butong in Quezon Town because of its Opalon Spring with prevalence rate of 10.50%, snail density of 1.73, snail infection rate 0.50%, and Barangay Kulasihan in town of Lantapan because of its Tigbe Springs and Manangkila Springs with prevalence rate of 1.27%, snail density of 0.13, snail infection rate of 0.00%;

WHEREAS, the WHO has even "considered this infectious disease as a growing public health problem that affects significant number of population. Accordingly, over 3 billion children, women and men are put at high risk and over 350 million people have already been disabled or severely impaired, with many more infected, thus the elimination and control of schistosomiasis is in line and consistent with the National Health Program under the Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) of the Department of Health (DOH)-Philippines, specifically with the Department's National Objective for Health (NOH) 2011-2016, that calls for the elimination of Schistosomiasis as a public health problem in all endemic areas;

WHEREAS, realizing "the high risk of populace and the high probability of continuous transmission from these three identified priority barangays has prompted the Provincial Health Office (PHO)-Bukidnon, with the support from the Regional Health Center-DOH Region 10 to seek further technical and financial support from the World Health Organization Philippines Country Program.";

WHEREAS, the Provincial Health Office recently informed that the WHO will no longer extend assistance to Bukidnon, and instead the DOH will provide One million pesos for research and non-intervention activities purposes to address the schistosomiasis in some parts in the Province of Bukidnon;

WHEREAS, in line with the National Health Program under the Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) of the DOH, and with the DOH's national objective for health (NOH) 2011-2016, that calls for the elimination of schistosomiasis as a public health problem in all endemic areas, an appeal is hereby made to the DOH to help in containing and eradicating the schistosomiasis endemic areas in Bukidnon;

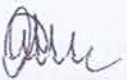
NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Board Member Nemesio B. Beltran, Jr., and with the unanimous accord of all Members present, assembled in session, be it:

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, SEEKING THE INTERCESSION OF SENATOR JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI, URGENTLY REQUESTING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO HELP CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS IN SOME PARTS IN THE PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON.

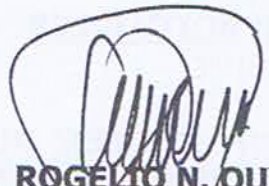
RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish a copy of this resolution to Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, the DOH Central and Region X Offices, WHO and PHO, for appropriate favorable actions.

Approved unanimously.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


ATTY. APOLLO A. MAGUALE
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED:


ROGELIO N. QUIÑO
Provincial Vice Governor
Chairman & Presiding Officer

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